seeds is being considered with US in Indo-US collaboration in agriculture;

(b) if so, whether magic seeds distributed by International Agricultural Research Centres of the Rockfeller and Ford foundation is focused on bio-technology and water stress resistant and higher longevity inputs in farm sector;

(c) whether US analysis indicated that India could be a major wild card as an agricultural growth market only if country's tariff levels are reduced and not replaced with new non-tariff barriers; and

(d) if so, to what extent this Indo-US agriculture collaboration has helped to improve agricultural production in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA): (a) to (d) The Ministry of Agriculture has no information on the subject. The position is however being further verified from concerned agencies.

Survey for new rail lines

†2062. SHRI R.S. GAVAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey has been conducted by the Railways for new rail tracks in the country during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the tracks out of the said new tracks which are proposed to be given priority by the Railways?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A total of 100 surveys for New Lines were completed during the last 3 years *i.e.* 2002-03, 2003-04 and 2004-05.

(c) Out of these, Hathua-Deoria, Jiribam-Imphal (Tupul), Haibargaon-Mairabri & Senchoa-Silghat (Restoration) and Rewari-Rohtak New Line projects have been included in various Budgets and will be progressed as per the overall availability of resources.

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